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Sir:

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The item listed on Form PTO-1449, a copy of which is enclosed, is made of record to assist the Patent and Trademark Office in its examination of this application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to fully consider the items and to independently ascertain their teaching.

Applicants previously filed (on January 24, 2005) an Information Disclosure Statement to cite German Patent Publication DE 196 32 499 A1. An English Abstract of the publication was also provided, as was a copy of the German Patent Office Action (and translation thereof) in which the reference was first cited.

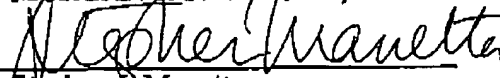
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